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Beloved Community Damaged by Storm

Worship at Beloved Community before the storm

Beloved Community Church in Birmingham was damaged in a storm on Friday, February 21st. Most of the roof was torn off and the brick cornice and air conditioning system damaged as well as significant water damage inside followed by two more rain storms before the damage estimates were fully complete. June Boutwell, Designated Conference Minister, was notified of the situation as she was

traveling to Atlanta from her home in California. She has since met with Rev. Angie Wright, whose personal residence was also damaged. June was able to be in worship with Beloved Community on March 2nd. She has been working with the United Church of Christ Insurance Board to ensure that the claim is handled well and that Beloved can return to their building as soon as possible.

Churches in the area reached out to Beloved when the news became known and offered space and support as the church recovers. For now the congregation is worshipping at Avondale United Methodist Church a few blocks away. One of the casualties was Beloved's spring Music Festival and Fundraiser which was scheduled for March 13th. It will be rescheduled in the fall. Work has begun to repair the damage and the church is hoping to be back in their own building within a few weeks. For now, please keep the Beloved community in prayer. You may send your prayers and messages of support to beloveducc@aol.com.

Damage to the outside of Beloved Community

Water damage on the interior of the church

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